



## George William Gillispie

April 4, 1946 - October 10, 2020

George William Gillispie, age 74, of Buffalo, Missouri was born on April 4, 1946 in Blackwell, OK to Alva W. and Ersa B. (Lippincott) Gillispie. He arrived in the arms of Jesus on Saturday, October 10, 2020 in the Cox South Hospital in Springfield, Missouri.

George was a devoted and loving husband, father, and grandpa. George served in the Marines for his Country in Vietnam. George knew the Lord and loved him faithfully. he attended Mt. Pleasant Southern Baptist Church, Elkland, MO. and was always there an hour before the doors were open preparing for services. He held the office of Sunday school teacher and Sunday school superintendent and treasurer for many years as well as anything else that needed attending to. He was a hard worker and an example to follow. He loved life and his family especially his grandchildren which he treasured. He was the families rock and they always looked to him for guidance.

George was preceded in death by his parents; three brothers, Martin, David, and John Gillispie; and one sister, Doris Gillispie. He is survived by his wife, Christine; one son, Clint & wife Mae Gillispie of Buffalo, MO; two daughters, Cindy & husband Mike Dill, of Elkland, MO and Alicia & husband Steve West of Windyville, MO one sister, Jo An Beemer of Winfield, KS; one brother, Joe Gillispie of Buffalo, MO; seven grandchildren, Cody West, Kevin Dill, Makayla Baza, Kahl Gillispie, Kyla Gillispie, Jady West, and Katelyn Gillispie; and four great-grandchildren, Mason West, Luna Dill, Logan Dill, and Luna Baza. He

was loved and will be missed by many.

Funeral services will be held at 11:00 a.m. on Tuesday, October 13, 2020 in the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home with Bro. Russell Adams officiating. Escorts will be Steve West, Kahl Gillispie, Mike Dill, Kevin Dill Buddy Jasper, and Lynn Howe. Honorary escorts will be his grandchildren and the members of the VFW Post 4080. Interment will be in the Memorial Gardens of Memory Cemetery under the care and direction of the Cantlon-Otterness & Viets Funeral Home of Buffalo. Visitation will be from 10:00-11:00 a.m. Tuesday at the Funeral Home. In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the VFW Post 4080 in Buffalo, MO.

# Cemetery Details

## Memorial Gardens of Memory

1510 N. Ash Street  
Buffalo, MO 65622

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **13**. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

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## Service

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# Tribute Wall



“ George William Gillispie

October 09, 2023 at 12:27 PM



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October 09, 2023 at 04:09 AM



“ George William Gillispie

October 05, 2023 at 11:14 PM



“ George William Gillispie

October 05, 2023 at 05:41 PM



“ George William Gillispie

December 20, 2022 at 10:20 AM



“ Chris & family, We're so sorry for your loss. George was the best of men. We remember attending Mt. Pleasant church many years ago with yours. Those were very blessed times. He could fix a shoe in no time. God gave him that smile and we will see it again. Your friends, Jack & Debbie Martinez

**Debbie Martinez** - October 14, 2020 at 05:06 PM



*Thank you so much and yes it is good to know that we will definitely one day see him again!!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:35 AM



*Thank you Debbie for the kind words. We will see him again ❤️*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 20, 2020 at 09:04 PM



“ *So sorry for your family's loss. I drove bus with George when he drove sub bus for Dallas county schools. George was a good man. Great sense of humor. Then low and behold they bought a house next to my Mom and Dad. He will be missed by many.*

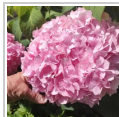
*Judy & Greg Graevs*

**Judy Graevs** - October 14, 2020 at 02:28 PM



*Thank you. It means so much!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:37 AM



*Thank you for the kind words ❤️ We have enjoyed having your parents as our neighbors.*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 08:58 PM



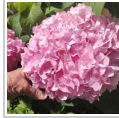
“ *It was a pleasure to know George and Christine as our "Y" friends. Always a gentlemen and a lady. Our prayers to Christine and family. Ed and Gwen Tucker*

**Ed and Gwen Tucker** - October 13, 2020 at 09:50 AM



*Thank you!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:38 AM



*Thank you for the kind words ❤️*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 08:59 PM



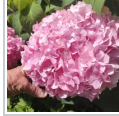
“ *How would I have known when I became friends with Alicia Gillispie West I would also have a second family. As someone who grew up with parents who were away for much of the time during my teenage years. George and Chris always included me in family meals, birthday celebrations, Invitations to worship at church and even holiday celebrations. I always felt welcome and as a bonus child to their family and never an outsider. This was only one of many examples of George’s Christian belief to love God children. He set many examples of displaying Gods word. You can see the same kind behavior in his children and grandchildren and most of all in his wife Chris. I never saw one without the other. I am so glad our paths crossed and even when I married and moved away over 20+ years we never lost touch and I was never a stranger when visiting. George I strive to touch the lives that you have touched as a soldier of Christ. I don’t know if I can do it, but will try just the same. Sending prayers to Chris, Alicia and Clint along with other Gillispie family as you navigate through this difficult time. Sending love to you all too.*

**Becky Owens Whitehead** - October 12, 2020 at 06:56 PM



*Thank you Beck!! Love you bunches!!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:38 AM



*Thank you Becky for the kind words. We always enjoyed your time with us. ❤️*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 09:03 PM

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*“ Danny, Phyllis and Ryan Stewart purchased the Serene Retreat for the family of George William Gillispie.*



**Danny, Phyllis and Ryan Stewart** - October 12, 2020 at 01:41 PM

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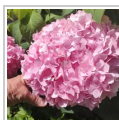
*“ George and his wife Chris were very good next door neighbors to us for over 30 years. A man should never forget the value of something like that. It was a true blessing and an honor to know George Gillespie. He was the best "across the fence" and "pull in your driveway to visit" neighbor that I'll ever have. My prayers for the family are that the peace of God will overwhelm you during this difficult time. Wesley Rash*

**Wesley Rash** - October 12, 2020 at 12:09 PM



*Thank you! I know Daddy thought a lot of you and your family as well!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:39 AM



*Thank you Wesley for the kind words. It was nice having your family as neighbors ❤️*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 09:06 PM



“ *With Distinction was purchased for the family of George William Gillispie.*



October 12, 2020 at 12:04 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of George William Gillispie.*



October 12, 2020 at 11:56 AM



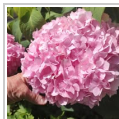
“ *I have great memories of Willie going back over 50 years ago. Always happy. The “big guy” that helped keep his buddies out of trouble. He will be missed.. Semper Fi.*

**Jerry Watkins** - October 12, 2020 at 11:34 AM



*Thank you! It means so much!*

**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:39 AM



*Thank you for the kind words ❤️*

**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 09:08 PM



“ George drove a school bus for Dallas County Schools for several years. He always took pride in his work and he loved the kids he transported. We had many laughs together, I cherished his friendship. He will be greatly missed by all who knew him.

*Dianna Cowden*

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**Dianna Cowden** - October 12, 2020 at 09:49 AM



*Thank you. This is so true!*

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**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:41 AM



*Thank you Dianna for the kind words. ❤️*

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**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 09:11 PM

JP

“ It wasn't until recently that I found out George and I celebrated the same birthday date April 4th.

George would rarely eat when we had meals before our VFW meetings and I always wondered why. It was during a VFW event that I finally found out. It seems that if George ever found a stray pet or human hair in his food he would decline to dine wherever that had happened to him.

I'll miss our conversations about leather working since he had owned a boot and leather repair store, he was a wealth of information.

Having worked for the county road department he could tell you how to find about any place in Dallas County.

RIP George Semper Fi.



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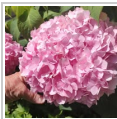
**James Piland** - October 11, 2020 at 10:02 PM

 Alicia Gillispie West

Thank you! I laughed when I read this. Yes, that was my Dad! ❤️

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**Alicia Gillispie West** - October 20, 2020 at 09:42 AM



Thank you for the kind words ❤️

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**Christine Gillispie** - October 23, 2020 at 09:14 PM